GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
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FLOOD PROBLEM IN NORTH EAST
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the damage caused to the infrastructure including flood control equipments, houses, crops and other property by the recent heavy rains and flood that hit Assam and other States in the North East;

(b) the estimated cost thereof; and

(c) the steps taken and aid given by Central Government to mitigate the sufferings of the victims and to mitigate the losses and to revive the damaged infrastructure?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) The Sates of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh have so far reported damage due to heavy rains/ floods etc. during the current southwest monsoon from northeastern part of India. As per the preliminary information received from these states, the extent of damage to life and property is given in Annexure-I.

(b) The total estimated cost of the damages to houses crops and public properties as reported by the Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh is around Rs.6.00 crores.

(c) It is primarily the responsibility of the State Government concerned to undertake rescue and relief operation in the wake of natural calamities out of corpus of Calamity Relief Fund (CRF), in which both the Central and State Governments contribute. In addition, the Central Government provides financial assistance to the States in the wake of calamity of a severe nature from National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) after following the laid down procedure. The details of the allocations made for 2007-08 by Central Government towards its share and the first installment released under CRF is given in Annexure II. No memorandum seeking additional financial assistance from NCCF has been received from the States of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh.